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## Bill Summary

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### Overview

This bill establishes a grant program to provide in-home and community services for older adults with vision loss and appropriates money for the grants.

#### Section

**1 In-Home and Community Services for Older Adults with Vision Loss.** Creates § 256C.07.

**Subd. 1. Establishment.** Requires the commissioner of human services to establish a program to provide grant funds for in-home and community services for older adults with vision loss to allow older adults with vision loss to live independently and age in place. Specifies how grant funds must be distributed.

**Subd. 2. Organizations eligible for grant funds.** Lists eligibility requirements for the grant funds.

**Subd. 3. Target population for services.** Specifies the target population is persons who are blind or visually impaired adults who are 65 or older and who meet certain criteria.

**Subd. 4. Services provided using grant funds.** Lists the services that may be provided by an organization receiving a grant.

**2 Appropriation; in-home and community services for older adults with vision loss.** Appropriates \$350,000 in fiscal year 2016 and \$450,000 in fiscal year 2017 from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for the in-home and community services for older adults with vision loss program.